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SUBJECT: UN REQUESTS PAYMENT OF U.S. ASSESSMENTS FOR UN

REGULAR BUDGET AND CAPITAL MASTER PLAN

- 11. USUN has faxed to Department (IO/PSC-David Leis and EUR-IO/EX/FM-Alice Green) a copy of a note and attachment dated August 31, 2007 from the Secretary-General requesting payment of U.S. assessed contributions to the UN Regular Budget and the Capital Master Plan which remain outstanding in the amount of \$875,888,355. Text of note is as follows:
- 12. Begin Text: The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to financial Regulation 3.4, which states that contributions shall be considered due and payable in full within 30 days of the receipt of the communication of the Secretary-General informing Member States of their commitments, and to General Assembly resolution 58/1B of December 23 2003 which, inter alia, urges all Member States to pay their assessed contributions in full, on time and without imposing conditions, as well as to General Assembly resolution 56/243A of December 24, 2001 which encouraged Member States in a position to do so to provide a schedule of payments or other information about their intentions to clear their accumulated arrears.

United Nations records indicate that, as of August 31, 2007, there remain outstanding contributions in respect of assessments which were due but not yet paid by His Excellency's Government to the Regular Budget and the Capital Master Plan as listed in Attachment A.

In view of the continuing frailty of the Organization's financial situation, the Secretary-General would be grateful if arrangements could be made for the payment of the above outstanding contributions at an early date if arrangements have not already been made to settle these amounts. It would also be greatly appreciated if His Excellency's Government could provide information on its intentions for payment of these amounts, as called for by the General Assembly in its resolution 56/243A.

The Secretary-General avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Representative the assurances of his highest consideration.

Attachment A

TOTAL: \$875,888,355

Working Capital Fund \$ 3,314,930

Regular Budget 784,575,462

Capital Master Plan-Working Capital 9,900,000

Reserve Fund 78,097,963

End Text.

 $\P 3.$ Action Requested: Department is requested to facilitate payment as noted above in paragraph 2.

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